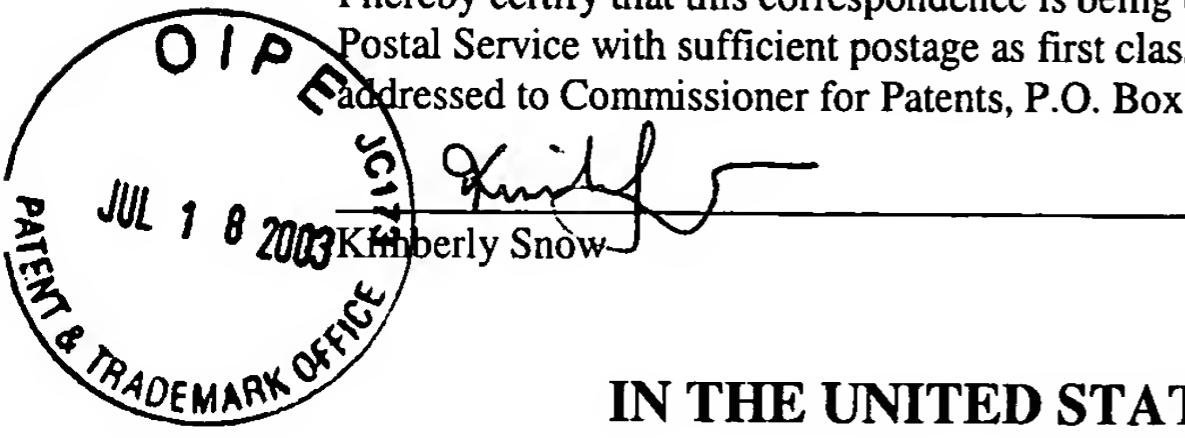


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CALCULATION OF CLAIM FEE FOR AMENDMENT

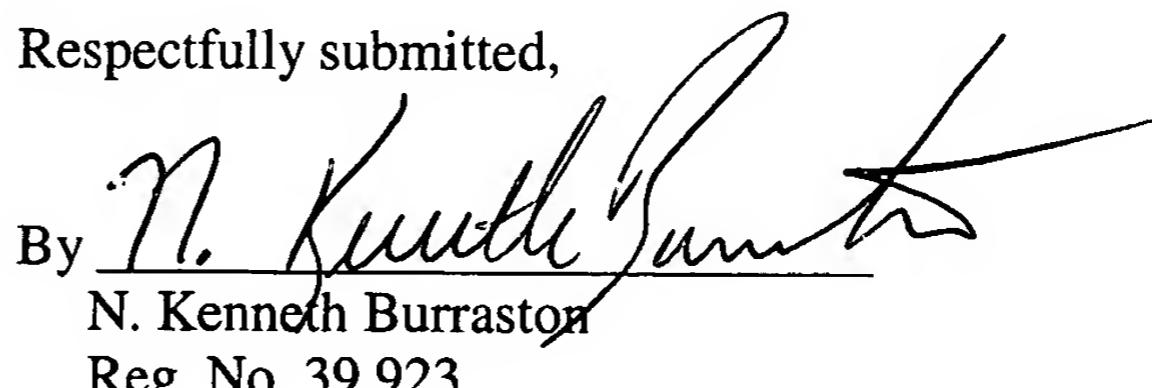
Sir:

In an Amendment in the above-referenced U. S. patent application filed herewith, a fee
for amendment of claims is required, and is calculated as shown below:

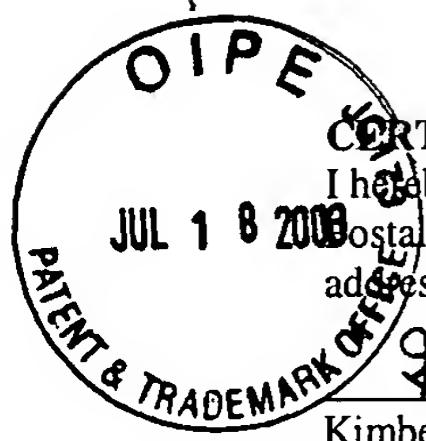
AMENDED CLAIMS					
	<u>No.</u>	<u>Previously Paid</u>	<u>Extra</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Total Claims:	33	minus 44 =	0	\$18	\$0
Independent Claims:	8	minus 5 =	3	\$84	\$252
Multiple dependent claims at \$280.00 each:					\$0
FEES DUE FOR AMENDMENT OF CLAIMS FOR THIS RESPONSE:					\$252.00

- A fee for extension of time of \$410.00 is required.
- A Check in the amount of \$662.00 for the above-identified fee for amended claims and fee for extension of time is enclosed.
- The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the foregoing fee of \$ and any additional fees that may be required by this transmittal and associated documents, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. (Order No.).

Respectfully submitted,

By 
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 14, 2003, the period for response to which
has been extended to July 14, 2003 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the list of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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